GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6242
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DEVELOPMENT OF INLAND WATERWAYS
NAMDEO HARBAJI DIWATHE;PUTTASWAMY GOWDA

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government have any special plan to develop Waterways including Inland Waterways particularly in the Eastern States in the country;

(b) if so , the details thereof;

(c) whether the Union Government have received any proposals from State Governments for financial assistance to develop different waterways in their respective States.

(d) if so, the details thereof , State-wise ; and

(e) the total financial assistance provided to each state for this purpose?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a) and (b) There is a special plan for developing the inland waterways in the Eastern States of the Country.National Waterway No.1 the river Ganga from Allahabad to Haldia passing through the States of U.P., Bihar, Jharkhand and West Bengal is being developed by the Government for inland navigation. For developing of inland waterways in the eastern states, techno economic feasibility studies of D.V.C. Canal in West Bengal and East Coast Canal integrated with Brahmani river in the States of Orissa and West Bengal have been conducted. Declaration of these waterways and their subsequent development would depend on availability of resources.

(c) to (e) Under Centrally Sponsored Scheme for development of Inland Water Transport by the State Govt., financial assistance up to 50% cost of the approved scheme is being provided by the Central Government to the respective states on loan on reimbursement basis. State Govts of Bihar , Goa, Kerala, U.P. and West Bengal have some approved Centrally Sponsored Schemes under which financial assistance has been provided by the Central Government for the on going sanctioned schemes given at Annex 1

ANNEXURE-I

LIST OF CENTRALLY SPONSORED SCHEME - SANCTIONED SCHEMES

(Amount in lakhs)

SL#	STATE	NAME OF THE SCHEME	SANCTIONED COST	CENTRAL SHARE	AMOUNT RELEASED UPTO 2001-02
1.	Bihar	Hydrographic Survey on river Gandak & Kosi	47.076	20.000	7.000
2.	Uttar Pradesh	Hydrographic Survey and Techno - Economic feasibility Study on river Ghaghra	56.660	28.000	22.570
3.	Goa	Capital Dredging of Mandavi - Zuari and Mupusa rivers	159.660	79.830	62.580
4.a.	West Bengal	Construction of 5 terminals across river Hooghly at selected sites	225.000	112.500	106.900
b.	West Bengal	Construction of Jetties			

at Haldia, Kachuberia and Lot 8	630.520	315.260	315.260
c. West Bengal Construction of Jetty at Raichak	140.000	70.000	70.000
5.a. Kerala Modernisation of 55 Jetties for Ferry Services	136.380	68.190	53.446
b. Kerala Modernisation of 379 Jetties. Consolidated Project proposal	614.570	307.290	266.000
c. Kerala Modernisation and improvement of waterway from Kotti - Kottappuram	321.210	160.610	60.000

Total Rs. 963.756 lakhs